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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street SW Washington, DC 20554

Re: Comments Regarding LightSquared Technical Working Group (IB Docket No. 11-109)

Dear Ms. Dortch,

I encourage the Commission to continue working toward a solution to the LightSquared/GPS interference issues. The goal of expanded broadband spectrum is too important to the people of Upstate New York.

Based on my research, LightSquared is an established company with the resources and technology to construct a next-generation broadband wireless network that will bring added capacity and significant reliability to wireless communications. As you are aware, their network would expand our nation's broadband wireless spectrum at a time when demand for wireless usage is increasing. Because LightSquared is a wholesaler, I believe the competition that will be brought to the market will be a significant benefit to consumers.

I am fully aware that GPS is an important technology that clearly should be protected. However, it would be a travesty for our country to not work through these relatively minor issues – it will be time well spent.

Please work to find a solution and do what you can to bring more capacity and competition to the wireless telecommunications market.

Sincerely,

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